

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
NOVEMBER 8, 2006

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by Council Person Craig Hawes.
 - B. Pledge – Mayor Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Craig Hawes, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell.
 - D. Minutes – Robert Kittle moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of October 17, 2006. August Tindell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
 - E. Presentation of Flag to Mayor by Craig Hawes. Council Person Craig Hawes returning from duty in Iraq presented Mayor Armstrong the City Flag that he had with him in Iraq. Craig Hawes also presented the American Flag he had in Iraq to Martha Myers, President Pro Tem.

Martha Myers along with the Council and audience thanked Craig Hawes for his service. Martha Myers also recognized Jim Lienhoop for his service as interim Council Person in Craig Hawes' absence.

II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. 32, 2006, AN ORDINANCE VACATING PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY." (Lots 11 and 14 George Doup's Subdivision) Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this second reading. He reminded the Council this Ordinance had been tabled from last meeting. He showed the location map, site photo and recapped the details of the Ordinance. Discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to approve the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.33, 2006, ORDINANCE CREATING ACCRUED PAID LEAVE PACKAGE." Police Chief Bill Martin presented this Ordinance. He indicated the Council had requested a few revisions in the Ordinance, specifically paragraph 5 which was presented in final form with this reading. Discussion followed. George Dutro made a motion to approve the Ordinance as published. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- C. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2006, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REPLACEMENT OFFICIAL ZONING MAPS FOR THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS." Jeff Bergman indicated there has been some technical difficulties in getting the maps published and asked that this Ordinance be postponed until next meeting. Martha Myers made a motion to postpone the second reading of this Ordinance. Craig Hawes seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____, 2006, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “AG” (AGRICULTURE) TO “R-3” (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL).” (Joel Spoon Re-zoning) Jeff Bergman presented this Ordinance. He indicated the applicant, Joel Spoon, had requested an area of approximately 10.08 acres be re-zoned to R-3. The area is currently zoned Agriculture. Jeff showed the location map, existing zoning map and area photo. Joel Spoon spoke briefly about the re-zoning and the plans he had for the project. Jeff reported the Columbus Plan Commission reviewed the application and recommended by a vote of 7 to 0 it be presented to City Council. Several members of the public spoke at the Plan Commission meeting but all questions were answered. Discussion followed. George Dutro moved to place in proper channels. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____, 2006, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 10, CHAPTER 10.28 SECTION 070 WHICH IS AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TWO HOUR PARKING UPON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA.” Steve Ruble, City Engineer, presented this Ordinance. He indicated there was a problem with people parking along certain streets for extended periods of time and indicated this Ordinance would allow a vehicle to be ticketed that is in violation. Discussion followed and several people in the audience spoke on behalf of the Ordinance. It was determined that under Item C there should be a modification in the wording. George Dutro made a motion to place in proper channels with the following addition made.

Under Paragraph C. it should state as follows: Unless by permission of the owner **or tenant of the property abutting the place** parking in the following areas is limited to parking continuously for two hours per day.

IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports. Martha Myers indicated there was a vacancy on the Human Rights Commission and asked the Council to approve Trena Carter to fill the vacancy. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the appointment of Trena Carter as the new Human Rights Commissioner. Craig Hawes seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. Next Regular Scheduled Meeting will be November 21, 2006 at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

C. Adjournment: Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:55 o'clock P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer